



Coogee Public School

## Year One Homework

Dear parents and children,

This week Year One will be starting homework. Some points to be aware of:

Homework is optional in Stage 1. If, however, children **commit** to completing homework, there are expectations about presentation, submission and the standard of work expected.

If you choose for your child to do homework, it should be a consistent part of their afternoon routine (ie. Completed each afternoon and for both weeks).

**All homework should be supervised, checked and signed.**

All homework should be neatly, clearly and cleanly presented.

Homework should not take more than 15-20 minutes each day, inclusive of homereading and spelling.

Homereading, then spelling, are the priorities.

If homework becomes a battlefield, please see your child's teacher. The most important aspect of completing homework in Year One is establishing positive attitudes and behaviours for 'homework' so that children develop responsibility for their learning, time management skills and always **achieve success**. This will ensure a solid foundation for the future homework habits.

Students will need:

- an A4 book, covered and clearly labelled with their name.

- to paste this page into the front of their book so that students have a record of homework expectations.

- to paste the grid and spelling list into your book each week.

Homework routine:

The homework is a fortnightly grid to be returned each Friday so as to mark the weekly spelling. Spelling work and the top row of the grid is to be completed each week. The spelling list will change each week.

There are nine activities in the grid including spelling and homereading activities.

The remaining six cells can be completed over the two weeks.

Spelling and homereading should be completed each day. **Each night look, say, cover, write and check the spelling words onto the spelling sheet.**

Write any sentences or other pieces of work in the book. Your child might need to use a few lines to write on.

Insist your child writes neatly and their work reflects pride and their best effort.

Most activities are structured to be open-ended, and 'written' recording of an activity is optional unless specified. All parents need to do is tick and sign any part of the grid that has been completed.

Homework will become paperless this term and will be available on the Stage 1 wiki which can be found from the CPS website. You will be notified when this will happen.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask your class teacher.

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